

FAITH AND VICTORY

THIS IS THE VICTORY THAT OVERCOMETH THE WORLD, EVEN OUR FAITH. — 1 JOHN 5:4

HAVE FAITH
IN GOD

GOD IS
LOVE

YE SHINE AS LIGHTS
IN THE WORLD.
— PHILIPPIANS 2:15

JESUS
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A PAPER
FOR ALL
CHRISTIANS

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Light Your Corner

Have we lighted up our little place,
Not trying to run another's race?
Are we looking for a place that's bigger?—
Beware that Satan hasn't sprung the trigger!

If we're anxious to run to another field—
More fruit over there, we think we'll yield—
All things over there look so good and new—
Over there, O brother, are trials, too.

Run not for Satan, to get to this land,
He waits there to help you, your business
command.
He's over there waiting, already, that you come,
To all his allurements I hope you'll be dumb.

It may be your "corner" at home is the one
Where the Lord will be honored by what you
get done.
The light you are giving, the one that he needs,
The trials you are having, root out the right
weeds.

"Hard knocks" is the school where we all have
to go,
To gain the true wisdom we sore need to know.
So in the heat of the furnace we will all need to
stay
Till the Lord sends us elsewhere and takes it
away.

I know it is pleasant to look on some spot—
Lord may have ordered it, may be he's not—
That seems to our liking, our talent to grow;
Trials seem all over, no more trouble to know.
So when you get there, Satan's there, too,
Then conquer where you are, is the motto
for you.

—J. H. Pierson.

The Two Works Of Grace

In Gen. 1:27, we read: "So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them."

The first pair of mankind had the image of God in them, and God gave them one commandment with the penalty attached, that if they broke it, it would mean death. They were tempted by Satan. When they yielded, Satan had succeeded in polluting and defiling the image of God, and planted his seed of evil in their hearts. Thus they became possessors of a sinful nature. They died a spiritual death—according to God's word, that they would surely die. When Adam begot sons and daughters, they received a polluted and sinful nature; the seed of Satan was in their hearts, and they were in darkness. We read in Romans 5:12: "Wherefore as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned."

When God was driving them out of the garden for this sin, he gave them a promise that the seed of the woman would bruise the serpent's (Satan's) head. The seed referred to was Christ, as Christ was born of a woman and begotten by the Holy Ghost. Man had nothing to do with his birth; therefore he was "Sanctified and sent into the world." John 10:36. He possessed the image of God as Adam did in the beginning. The Holy Ghost was dwelling in Him. He had a fleshly body, but it was only a tabernacle for the God-life in the soul, hence we have the scripture declaring that the "Word was made flesh and dwelt among us." St. John 1:14.

When John saw Jesus coming, he exclaimed, "Behold the Lamb of God that taketh away the sin of the world." The sin of the world was none other than that sin nature that passed upon all of us because of Adam's transgression. John tells us in 1 John 3:8: "He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this

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purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil." He goes on to make it plain to us the difference between the children of God and he children of the devil. God's children do not sin and the children of the devil do sin. It is not what you profess to be, it is what you are in the sight of God that makes you His child, or the child of the devil.

Some ministers teach one work of grace, others teach two works of grace, others three works of grace, and some no work, and others all works. It is not possible for all to be right; there is only one true way, and the Bible makes that way plain.

People could get justified, or have their sins forgiven, while under the law by offering blood sacrifices, and having faith in the coming Messiah; but being possessors of that sin nature, or seed of Satan, in the heart, they would sin again and would have to go back from time to time and offer as a sacrifice, a lamb, dove, or a bullock, with faith in the coming Christ, which would take away sin. God would forgive them of their actual transgressions, and they would go on their way with peace from God in their souls.

The mission of Christ in the world, was to destroy that sin, or seed of Satan, out of the heart, that man might again possess the image of God as Adam did in the beginning, and not have to sin again.

When Christ came and was crucified, he fulfilled the law and the prophets, and has become our law, for it is written: "For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel (Sanctified people are the spiritual house of Israel today) after those days, sayeth the Lord; I will put my laws into their minds, and write them in their hearts: and I will be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people." Hebrews 8:10.

When Jesus came and was crucified, God had concluded all men under sin that he might have mercy upon all (Gal. 3:22), for it was said, all had sinned and come short of the glory of God.

Since Christ came and shed his precious blood as a sacrifice for sin, man cannot get justified or forgiven by the works of the law, because Jesus is a better sacrifice. Now, when we have godly sorrow because we have transgressed God's law, we humble our hearts and plead guilty before God, confessing our sins repenting, asking God for mercy, and forsaking all sin; and he says he is faithful and just to forgive us as we believe on the Son of God. Because of this faith in the Lamb of God, we have peace with God through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. In other words, our actual transgressions are all blotted out by the blood and we are innocent before God of any wrong. Jesus is with us to comfort and help us to overcome the enemy and live free from any more transgressions. Justification means that we have been forgiven of all of our transgressions, and by

faith in Christ, we have peace with God. (Rom. 5:1).

In Rom. 15:16, Paul, in writing to the Gentiles, says, "Ye are sanctified by the Holy Ghost." The second definite work of grace is spoken of in the Bible in different ways, manners, and phases. Sometimes it is spoken of as a pure heart (Matt. 5:8). When the Holy Ghost comes in, He destroys that sin nature and purifies the heart. He takes up His abode in this cleansed heart, then we really begin to see God. In another place, Jesus speaks of it as, "Another Comforter," or "The Spirit of Truth," as in John 14:16, 17. When Jesus was with the disciples, he was their comforter. They believed on him and were in a justified state. Jesus tells them plainly that the world (unsaved, or unjustified people) cannot receive the Spirit of truth. But he told them that they knew Him, "for he dwelleth with you and shall be in you." The Comforter could not come into them until Jesus was crucified, resurrected, and ascended. Jesus plainly told the disciples this in St. John 7:37, 38, and 39; also in St. John 16:7. In the 26th verse of the 14th chapter, we read: "But the comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance."

Jesus said, "And behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem until ye be endued with power from on high." This instruction Jesus gave to the disciples just before he ascended to heaven. Again, in Acts 1:4, we read: "And being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which saith he, ye have heard of me."

You can read in Acts 2:1-8 how the disciples received the promise of the Father, the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost and God was so great in them that He spoke through them in many different languages and the Gospel was heard and carried to different nations. On that day the Kingdom of God came in power and the Church was set in order. It began to function, for the Spirit of truth had come into the hearts of men, making up a spiritual body that Christ dwelt in.

The question may be asked, is this experience for us today? Let us see what the scripture says about it, then the question will be forever settled, for God has said, "Let God be true, but every man a liar."

Turn with me to the 17th chapter of St. John and see what Jesus asked the Father to do: "And for their sakes I sanctify myself, (set himself apart to be crucified) that they also might be sanctified through the truth." Then he continued with: "Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word." Thank God, that includes you and me, if we will believe.

Let us read Acts 2:39 and see what Peter said about it after he was filled with the Holy Spirit:

"For the promise is unto you and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call." Dear reader, to doubt this experience is for you, would be to disbelieve His word.

Some one may ask, do we have any examples in God's word to show that there are two works of grace? Truly, there are many instances of this second work recorded in the Bible.

This sin, or seed of Satan, that is in your heart cannot be repented of, for you did not commit it. It must be cleansed away by faith in Christ. Sanctification has two meanings: one, is to "set apart"—which we must do; the other is to cleanse, or make pure or holy. Paul says, "Ye are sanctified by the Holy Ghost." When the Holy Ghost comes in, he cleanses or destroys that seed of Satan and takes up his abode in one's heart. This is the part that God does. We first sanctify ourselves, or set ourselves apart for God's sacred use now, and just as long as God keeps life in the body. When God knows that we mean it with our whole heart, He then sends the Holy Ghost and cleanses us and takes charge of this earthen vessel, setting us apart for God's sacred use. Then we are no longer our own, but become God's property, and are now led by His Spirit that dwelleth within. It is a glorious experience.

Read Ephesians first chapter beginning with the thirteenth verse. "After that ye believed, ye were sealed with that Holy Spirit of promise." Notice, we are sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise after we believe. The Spirit of promise is given to those who are saved, justified, have peace with God, or have been forgiven of all actual transgressions. He says that this Holy Spirit is an earnest of our inheritance—just a small portion of what it will be when we are glorified with him at his coming. This Holy Spirit of promise is for us in this life. When he comes in, he is the seal from God, showing that we are God's and have become his purchased possession. He purchased us with his own blood, and now he possesses us. Glory to God.

"And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole Spirit, soul, and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ." That same God who forgave you of your sins and gave you peace "sanctify you wholly." "Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it." Praise the Lord, God, who has called you to follow him will also perform the preserving by coming in and dwelling in your heart. Read 1 Thes 5:23,24.

"I beseech you therefore, brethren. (notice, he is talking to brethren—justified men who have peace with God) by the mercies of God (the same God that has had mercy on you and forgiven you of your sins), that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice (sacrifice your life, your friends, your relation and all that is dear to your heart of this world) holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service." It is

the most reasonable thing in the world to give yourself and all to God who has been so good as to blot out all of your transgressions and give your soul peace. Read Rom. 12:1 and 2.

Paul had the two experiences (Acts 9): When he was on the road to Damascus, God visited him and he fell down to the ground. He heard a voice saying, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me? Paul answered, Who art thou Lord? The Lord said, "I am Jesus whom thou persecutest." Paul trembled and was astonished. He immediately believed on the Lord with a penitent heart and said, "Lord what wilt thou have me to do?" He became a willing subject, and obeyed His instructions to go to Damascus where it would be told him what to do. Paul prayed three days without eating or drinking. God sent Ananias to lay hands on him and to pray for him. The first words that Ananias spoke to him were, "Brother Saul." He acknowledged him as a brother—a saved man. He laid hands on him and prayed, "Receive thy sight and be filled with the Holy Ghost." Immediately he received his sight and he was baptized. After he had received meat, he straightway preached Christ in the synagogues, that He was the Son of God.

When the prodigal son came back to the Father, the Father met him far down the road. He threw his arms around him and placed a kiss upon his brow. That is typical of our justification. With the Father's arm around him and a kiss on his brow, he knew that the Father had forgiven him, and he was at peace with him. He certainly felt good, but the Father did not stop there. He took to the house, where he told the servants to bring forth the best robe and put on him. The best robe represents our sanctification or infilling of the Spirit. He told them to kill the fatted calf so they could eat and be merry, "For this my son was dead and is alive again, he was lost and is found."

The resurrection of Lazarus is typical of our salvation. Jesus went to the tomb weeping and groaning. He is weeping and groaning over sinners, today. He told them to roll away the stone. There may be some things in your life that you will have to fix up before Jesus will call you to life. They rolled away the stone and Jesus said with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come forth." Lazarus came forth bound hand and foot with grave clothes, and his face was bound about with a napkin. He had come forth and had life. This represents a justified state, but Jesus spoke the second time, saying, "Loose him and let him go." He was entirely free then. This represents the second definite work of grace, or the coming in of the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost. Paul says, "Ye are sanctified by the Holy Ghost." Jesus says, "If the Son shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed."

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Editorials

Camp-meeting season is here again. You will find inserted in this issue of Faith and Victory paper a list of the Church of God camp meetings held at different places and times during this summer. The camp meetings are a source of much encouragement to the saints of God, for they can gather together and enjoy the heavenly fellowship and have opportunity to listen to the heavenly messages given to them through God's anointed ministry.

Many souls get saved in these camp meetings. Others are sanctified wholly by receiving the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost (John 14:26); for believers are sanctified by the Holy Ghost (Rom. 15:16). Generally, God manifests his power in healing the sick and performing miracles, as all these signs follow them that believe on Him. (Mark 16:17).

Every saint who can should attend some good camp meeting this summer for the welfare of their soul and to aid in the furtherance of the cause of God among men.

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It has been our custom not to put out a Faith and Victory paper in August. For the third time the Lord has brought to my mind very forcibly that we should print and send out a paper in August this year. As we are his property and are fully willing to be led by his Spirit we shall proceed to fulfill his will and get a paper ready for August. It is going to make much extra work and expense as part of our help is away in meetings and we will have the State Camp meeting here at Guthrie and we also wanted time to attend part of the "National meeting" at Monark Springs, Mo. We shall look to the Lord to make it possible. He will surely have some truth in the August paper that will be important for people to read and receive.

Pray for us as we labor on for the Master.

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We hear so much these days about tithing, which was a law doctrine, and can be so pressed as to undermine and take place of the "Grace" doctrine of "forsaking all" and giving all to God, giving His Spirit that is within us liberty to direct us in our giving of those things over which God has made us stewards.

We find no place in the New Testament where God demands a tenth of his followers, but we do find that "Free-will offerings" are encouraged and practiced.

To be sanctified wholly means that we are God's sacred property and all we possess is His. His Spirit, living in us, moves us to give of what rightly belongs to God, for we are only stewards over all that He places in our hands. This is the reason a rich man cannot enter into the Kingdom of God any more than a camel can go through the eye of a needle. When he forsakes all, which is the only consecration that

will be acknowledged of God by sending the Comforter into his soul, he will not consider himself rich any more but it will be God who is rich, and he will only be God's steward.

To press the tithing system on any one is a sect spirit and only proves a lack of faith in God to supply their needs. Their eyes are on men and things of this world, rather than on God, who has promised to supply all our needs according to his riches in glory. You will notice that the tithing advocates want your tithe money either for themselves or for their idol, which they call a church. They are anxious to build up a show of religion. Human systems, boards, and committees take the place of God's Spirit working, and they keep up human machinery which God is not sanctioning.

Most of the advocates of the tithing system will use the 23rd verse of the 23rd chapter of Matt. to try to prove that tithing is a New Testament doctrine and that Christ taught it. The fact is, Christ is not teaching it to be a grace doctrine at all. These Scribes and Pharisees were under the law and should have given their tenth as the law demanded, but Jesus was trying to get them to see that they were leaving off the weightier matters—judgment, mercy, and faith. He was trying to get them to see that they were not keeping the law, and were in a condemned state before God. To get a tithe doctrine out of this scripture would be wresting the scriptures and causing them to mean that which Christ did not teach.

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I am not against the children of God giving to the cause of God, and that freely, liberally, and cheerfully, for they are certainly taught to do so all through the New Testament; but only in a way so the Spirit working in each member can have liberty to function through each member of his body as it pleases him. If a member feels free in his soul to give a tenth and let God move on them to give where he directs, then it is good and his soul will prosper in so doing. I am persuaded that he will not stop at a tenth, but will give freely even beyond that, for he knows all is the Lord's and he is God's sacred property to be used for his glory and not to keep up some man-made system. I believe that every saved soul should be sure that they are giving as much or more than a tenth; not because of law, but because they love God and his love in their heart will constrain them to give cheerfully as unto the Lord. Any soul that fails to give liberally and freely of the things that God is giving them will have a dwarfed soul, and many have dead souls and some become like Jesus said the Pharisees were—"graves that appear not." There are many weak and sickly souls because of their stingy giving. If those professing to belong to God would believe the scriptures and the words of Jesus, they would be great givers and yet have plenty.

Read what Jesus says about giving in Luke 6:38: "Give and it shall be given unto you: good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over shall men give unto your bosom." Stingy givers do not believe Christ, and their covetous spirit will be the means of damning their souls. The scriptures exhort those who have this world's goods to be rich in good works (1 Tim. 6:17, 18, 19. The more God lets you have, the greater is your responsibility to give and use all to his glory.

The widow gave her two mites, all of her living, and Jesus commended her for it, and said that she had given more than all the rest who had given of their abundance (Luke 21:2). She gave with faith in God that he would return all her need. The other only gave of their abundance and were careful to have plenty left for themselves. Many people give that way today. To press a tenth doctrine on God's little ones is only aiding many to become formal and selfrighteous and sometimes boastful. The healthy soul doctrine is: "Freely ye have received, freely give" (Matt: 8, 9). Give with faith in God and never through compulsory measures nor to those who are continually hinting and telling you their needs and working in various ways to get you to give to them or their system. Let God's spirit in you tell you where to give, when and how much to give, and if you are truly willing in heart to give as he directs, you will have no trouble in knowing where when, and how much to give. In this grace dispensation we are all to know Him, from the least to the greatest. Read Heb. 8:10. If you are not in this condition so God's Spirit can lead you, it is because you are lodged up in some man-made system or sect, and you are not free so he can lead and direct you in his ways. God says for us not to be unequally yoked up with unbelievers (2 Cor. 6:14). He also says in the 17th verse, "Wherefore, come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you." Read the next verse for your encouragement to do so. In Rev. 18:2, we read: "And he cried mightily with a loud voice, saying, Babylon the great (sect confusion and man-made systems) is fallen, is fallen, and IS become the habitation of devils, and a hold of every foul spirit, a cage of every unclean and hateful bird." This statement is true in a more or less degree with all the man-made sects and systems and selfish, dwarfed opinions of men that have influence over God's little children. In the 4th verse, John heard another voice from the angel from heaven saying, "Come out of her my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues." If you are in one of these man-made systems and you are his child, this call is to you. The quicker you obey, the better it will be for you and all whom you may influence.

In our travels over the country and by correspondence, we know that there is a mighty stir going on in Christendom. God is shifting and sifting and is gathering his people into one (all who will be gathered) delivering them from false doctrines and bringing them out into the one fold, separating them from all the world, and they are not of the world any more than Christ and his disciples were not of the world. Some are getting out and others seem to be just slowing down a little. They make me think of the time I drove past a stop sign. The police halted me and asked me if I saw that stop sign. I told him that I slowed down. He said, "That sign does not say, 'slow down,' it says, 'STOP!'" God's word does not tell you to slow down and not to go with the world so far or fast; but it says, STOP! God's word does not say for you to come out of one sect into another, neither does it tell you to lodge up in a man-made system or come under bondage to some man's clever opinions with spreading wings to smother and blind you. The word says, "Come out of her, she is fallen." Come completely out and just abide in Him, and be God's free man or woman, for as many as are led by the Spirit, they are the sons of God. (Rom. 8:14.)

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Obituaries

Rosa R. Baumgartner, daughter of John and Kathern Amstutz Baumgartner was born in Adams County near Berne, Ind., April 21, 1862, and departed this life May 22, 1940, at the age of 78 years, 1 month, and 1 day. Her early life was spent in this community, during which time she was confirmed and became a member of the Mennonite church.

On April 29, 1882, she was united in marriage to Jacob W. Baumgartner. To this union were born six children, of which a son, Freddie, and a daughter, Effie, preceded her in death. Her husband also preceded her, having departed this life, August 18, 1927.

Soon after her marriage, she was converted, at which time she became a member of the Church of God in which she remained faithful until her death. At her conversion, her Saviour became very real to her, and during her life she found joy and strength in the service of her Master in whom she trusted. The last few days she realized her work on earth was done, and expressed her desire to go to her eternal home.

She leaves to mourn their loss, four children; namely, Louis Baumgartner of Geneva, Ind. Paul Baumgartner of Chattanooga, Ohio, Samuel Baumgartner of Geneva, Ind., and Minnie Andress of Chattanooga, Ohio; also, two sisters, Mrs. Anna Halm of Ft. Wayne, Ind., and Mrs. Kate Butler of Payne, Ohio; and one brother, Wm. Baumgartner of Mat-tawan, Michigan; fourteen grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and a host of other relatives

The funeral service was conducted by Fred Pruitt assisted by Bro. Foster of Yorkshire, Ohio. Text: Rev. 14:13. The service was held in the Nazarene church building in Berne, Ind. The body was laid to rest in the cemetery at that place.

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John Marton Hallaway was born in Ringo Co. Iowa, April 26, 1885; died January 30, 1940 at home in Bartlesville, Okla, at the age of 54 years, 9 months and 4 days.

He leaves his wife, Helen Bell Halloway, and six children living: Emmett, Naomi, George, Elizabeth, and twain babies, Mary Lu and Martha Su, age 9 months—all of the home. Two children preceded him in death.

About four years ago he became affiliated with the Church of God and trusted God for both soul and body, for himself and his entire family. Often he would call his children and wife around his bed-side and tell them about Jesus and warn them how to live. He would pray earnestly for them when any of them were sick. He was always ready to talk and tell the wonderful story of Jesus to anyone anywhere. He attend services regularly until his illness. Even then he rejoiced in the service of God and died happy, serving God. He was patient, kind, and longsuffering in his illness of 122 days. He told many times how God was schooling him and praised the Lord in all his suffering.

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Ellen Louise Perkins was born July 9, 1931 and departed this life May 16, 1940. She was eight years, ten months, and seven days of age. Her death was caused from a fractured skull obtained in a fall as she was returning from prayer meeting with a crowd of happy children playing as they were on their way home. She stumbled and fell backward over a river bank and struck her head on something hard.

Her bright, sunny, and loving disposition won for herself many friends. To know her was to love her.

She leaves behind to mourn their loss: Father and Mother, nine brothers, and two sisters, and a host of friends. She had a wholesome love for all her neighbors and will be greatly missed by them as well as her family.

Her spirit soared and took its flight
To Him who whispered, "Come."
The tie of earthly life was rent
She sailed the billow's foam.

We know not why she went away
And left us here to grieve;
We know not when our work is done,
Nor when we will be called to leave.

Our hearts are grieved to think that death
Would call upon her name;
But God the Father needed her,
And for her His death angel came.
Richwood, W. Va.—

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Camp Meeting Notices

The National Camp Meeting will be held July 14th to 28th inclusive, at Monark Springs, Mo., in the public park, which is five miles east of Neosho, Mo.

Those coming by bus or train and desiring some one to meet them at the station in Neosho, should notify Bro. John Strech in advance as to the exact time and place of arrival. His address is: R. 5, Neosho, Mo.

Plan now to attend and refresh your soul through the Word of God that will be preached, and derive a blessing from the association and fellowship of the saints who are coming from other states. We are expecting a demonstration of the love and unity of God's people for which Jesus prayed, and He said, "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples." Full salvation brings the believers into the unity of the Spirit and the Apostle exhorts to "endeavor to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace."

This meeting will be financed with free-will offerings, which is the only plan outlined in the New Testament. "Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver." 2 Cor. 9:7. Meals will be served at the dining hall on the grounds. Those who do not have their own tents, may rent them for \$2.50. Cots may be rented at 50c each. Every one must bring their own bedding, including pillow and bed ticks which can be filled with straw. Bro Strech writes: "Sugar, lard, vegetables (fresh and canned) and groceries of all kinds can be used nicely in the meeting. A large crowd is expected, so it will take much food. All those who can, should send their support for the meeting before it begins, as it would be a saving to know what we can plan on in regard to buying food. We will eat what the Lord provides. Come to help and get help. If the joint between you and your Brother is sore, get it healed and come and be with us." Funds and food-stuffs for the meeting may be sent direct to Bro. Strech.

There are still a number of lots available on the National Camp Grounds. These are offered to the saints with a 99-year lease for \$10.00, accompanied by a written lease contract. Any one interested may

secure a corrected diagram of ground, and a lease contract form by writing to the Secretary.

Send all offerings for the "Pavilion Fund" and the camp meeting (specify which) to the national secretary, L. D. Pruitt, 1005 W. Mansur, Guthrie, Okla.

—L. D. Pruitt, Secretary.

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Akron, Ohio.

We, the saints at Akron, Ohio, will have a camp meeting July 5-14. This meeting will be run on the free-will offering plan as usual. Please bring straw ticks and bedding. All will be welcome to attend this meeting, but none will be allowed to preach except those who are in harmony with the ministry of the Church of God. Compromisers and extreme fanatics will be welcome to sit in the congregation as listeners, only.

For further information write to Sister Cordelia R. Jones (Pastor) 740 Roscoe Ave., E. Akron, Ohio.

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Reform, Ala.

There will be a camp meeting of the Church of God at Reform, Ala. beginning July 28, to continue as long as the Lord wills—several days. There are only a few saints here. Come, but be prepared to care for yourselves. We need help from true hearted saints. The camp ground will be three miles east of Reform, Ala., Highway No. 80. Minister in charge is D. S. Richardson, R. 2, Reform, Ala.

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Watonga, Oklahoma

The Watonga, Okla. Camp Meeting will be held Sept. 13th through the 22nd. Please bring bedding and come prepared to labor for the Lord. For particulars write Bro. E. J. Trotter, Watonga, Okla., R. 2.

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Oklahoma State Camp Meeting

The Oklahoma State Camp Meeting of the Church of God will be held August 2nd to 11th, inclusive, 1940, at Guthrie, Oklahoma, near the saints' chapel in the 600 block on West Warner Ave.

Meals will be served to all at the dining hall. Sleeping quarters will be provided, as much as possible, in the homes of the saints. Bring straw ticks and bedding. Furnished rooms may be rented a few blocks from the camp grounds. Camping tents may not be available to rent this year. The saints at Guthrie will try to care for all who come. A hearty welcome is extended to all.

Ministers of this state and other states will be present to set forth the Bible truths for the salvation of souls and the edification of the body of Christ. Humility and equality are distinctive characteristics of God's ministers, and since there will be a number of preachers in attendance, we are expecting these graces to be manifested. —State Trustee.

Dayton, Ohio.

The Camp Meeting at Dayton, Ohio will be held Aug. 9th to 18th inclusive. Probably, there will be no camp meeting at Newcastle, Ind. this year, so make a special effort to attend this one. We expect the Holy Ghost to be here to preach the pure Word, to convict sinners, and to convince people of the truth.

There will be sleeping tents to rent at cost—\$2.50 for the 10 days. Meals will be served in the new chapel. Rooms can be obtained. The meeting will be run on the free-will offering plan. We especially invite true ministers who are in harmony with the church to attend. Ministerial help is greatly needed.

For directions to find the camp ground, see April issue of the **Faith and Victory**, or write to Cleo Murry, pastor, R. 6, Box 431 - G. Also send fruit, vegetables, or any donation that can be used to this address. Write to us if you want to be met at station.

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The Church of God campmeeting at Boley, Okla. will begin on Aug. 16th and last until Aug 25th inclusive. We are expecting a glorious meeting as the Lord is leading. Come and stay throu the meeting.

The meeting will be run on the freewill offering plan. Please bring your straw ticks and bedding. Straw will be furnished on the ground. "Welcome."

—Frances Bell. Pastor.

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THE TWO WORKS OF GRACE

Jesus spoke of a merchant seeking goodly pearls (Matt. 13:45). When he had found one pearl of great price (when we are forgiven, we truly find a pearl of great price, and we long to be possessors of it—Jesus.), he sold all that he had that he might purchase it. When we sell all we have—give up everything that is in the way—we purchase the pearl of great price, which is Christ. He comes into us and we possess him and he possesses us.

Little David went against Goliath, the giant, in the name of Israel's God. Goliath represented Satan. David first took a stone from his sling and threw it. It struck the giant in the head and knocked him down, then he ran up to him and took the giants sword and cut off his head. He believed in two works of grace. In the forgiveness of sins, Satan is stunned and numb, but when we let God into our hearts by being sanctified, he is slain—killed out of the soul. He has no more part nor lot with us, and we reign with Christ in this life. If we remain faithful; some day, this our earthly house will be dissolved, and we will have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens." 2 Cor.

"So when this corruptible (this decaying fleshly body) shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought

to pass the saying that is written, death is swallowed up in victory." 1 Cor. 15:54. If we are ready to go, physical death will lose its sting, for it will only mean stepping into a greater and far better life with God through all eternity. —Fred Pruitt.

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Middletown, Ind. — Dear Saints: Greeting:—

Last year in June God wonderfully blest our efforts when in answer to his call we went to Knightstown for a meeting. Brother Foster from Yorkshire, Ohio, and other saints came and helped; also, T. Z. Lawson and saints from Newcastle, Ind. The meeting was a success. Souls were saved and sanctified, and some followed Jesus in Baptism.

Then in the fall we felt led to send some **Faith and Victory** papers to some saints who were in the mist of the compromise in southern Indiana, in and near Dupoint, Ind. God so worked through the paper and the Spirit so enlightened the saints that they wrote a number of times for us to come down but God did not burden me to go until in April of this year. We went trusting God, for all we had when we left home was 15c and a tank one-half full of gas with a 200 mile trip ahead, and knowing that the saints were very poor financially, and not out clear in the truth. Yet God said, "Go. We arrived there on Monday afternoon, had meeting that night and each night for the rest of the week. The Word of God was sent forth boldly by the leadings of the Spirit, and the Lord gave the saints more light. Five of them came out of the compromise and took their stand with the saints and for the truth.

We saw Bro. Pruitt and party at Dayton, and enjoyed a good time in the Lord with them. The saints from Ohio, Bro. Foster, Bro. and Sister Jenkins, Bro. and Sister Nottingham, and Bro. Coats came to Dupoint for the meeting, also Joe H. Pierson from Valeene, Ind. was there and preached for us Sat. night. Bro. Shrout and family from Newcastle, Ind. were also there. God blest and much good was done. The saints rejoiced in the Lord and the fellowship of the saints was most outstanding to those who were in doubt, and conviction was upon souls. Many signs were shown that God is working in that place. We ask all the saints to pray for this work, and that God will give much grace to the dear saints for they surely will be tried by the opposing elements. We know God is able and willing to bring them through. There will be another meeting on the third Saturday and Sunday of each month as long as God leads. In June, it falls on the 15th and 16th of the month. Others who are interested, are welcome to attend these meetings. Stop at Dupoint which is on state R. 7, between Madison and Vernon, Ind. and ask for B. F. Ice. The meeting will be at his house.

Finally, Brothers and Sisters, pray for us, as God has laid this on us, that we always be led by the Holy Spirit. Wm H. Pearson.

◆ « Young People's Section » ◆

The Rose Beyond The Wall

Near a shady wall a rose once grew,
Budded and blossomed in God's free light
Watered and fed by morning dew,
Shedding its sweetness day and night.

As it grew and blossomed fair and tall,
Slowly rising to loftier height,
It came to a crevice in the wall
Thru which there shown a beam of light.

Onward it crept with added strength
With never a thought of fear or pride;
It followed the light the crevice's length,
And unfolded itself on the other side.

The light, the dew, the broadening view
Were found the same as they were before;
And lost itself in the beauties new,
Breathing its fragrance more and more.

Shall claim of death cause us to grieve,
And make our courage faint and fall?
Nay! Let us faith and hope receive—
The rose still grows beyond the wall.

Scattering fragrance far and wide,
Just as she did in days of yore,
Just as she did on the other side,
Just as she will for evermore.

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THE "FAITH AND VICTORY" PAPER

On page four, in first column, you will find printed regularly in each issue a brief statement of Bible truths for which this paper stands. In this writing we desire, by the Lord's help, to call your attention to and discuss more fully these truths from a scriptural standpoint.

Its Motto

Have faith in God. Faith is the link that connects God and man together. "But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him." Heb. 11:6. "This is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith." 1 John 5:4. Faith is the shield of the Christian (Eph. 6:16). "The just shall live by faith." Through faith we become the children of Abraham—justified by faith (Rom. 3:28); sanctified by faith

(Acts 26:18). Miracles are performed through faith. Physical healing is wrought by faith. "The prayer of faith shall save the sick and the Lord will raise him up." Jas. 5:15. The temporal needs of God's people are supplied by faith. "Faith cometh by hearing." (or reading).

Perfect obedience to God's will is the basis for active faith. "If our hearts condemn us not, then have we confidence toward God." Where there is a lack of faith and trust, many evils creep in. Murmuring and complaining is heard. People turn to the arm of flesh for healing, become covetous and lay up their treasures on earth. Others, through a lack of trust in God, bring reproach upon the cause of Christ by borrowing money which they are not certain they can repay. Ministers and congregations will resort to human systems of taxation and questionable methods of raising funds for their support. "Have faith in God." Mark 11:22.

Its Object

The glory of God and the salvation of men. "And I, if I be lifted up, will draw all men unto me." This paper endeavors to help fulfill the world-wide commission to carry the gospel to "all nations" and "every creature." Christ is held up as the only name through which man can be saved from the bondage of sin and made ready for heaven.

The promulgation and restoration of the whole truth to the people in this "evening time" as it was in the morning church of the first century. The truths of the apostolic church had been hidden and obscured from the people during the ages of the "dark and cloudy day," but "it shall come to pass, that at evening it shall be light." Zech. 14:7. Even as the truths were gradually obscured by the clouds of human rubbish, even so, these same truths are now being gradually restored to the Church and to the people with the coming of each spiritual reformer. The old paths are new to the people today. This paper stands as an exponent of all these Bible truths which are bringing the church to its primitive glory and power. If we walk in the light that we now have, more will be revealed.

The unification of all true believers in one body by the love of God. Jesus prayed for and suffered death on the cross that his people might be one body, knit together by love. Jesus came to destroy carnality—the cause of the multiplicity of sects and divisions which we witness today. "There shall be one fold and one shepherd."

Its Standard

Separation from the world and entire devotion

to the service and will of God. Saints are called to be separate and distinct from the world. There is no fellowship between them and the worldly crowd. "Whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God." Jas. 4:4. Jesus said of his disciples that they were not of the world even as He was not of the world. That is a wide separation. "Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world." 1 John 2:15. Saints are separate from the world in thought, actions, ambitions, desires, worldly pleasures, and adornments. "Whether therefore ye eat or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God." 1 Cor. 10:31.

Its Characteristics

No discipline but the Bible. All of God's word is essential to our life. "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God." The Bible is its own best interpreter, and needs no condensing or enlarging.

No bond of union but the love of God. In God's people there is a unity of the spirit and heart, because they are all born into one family by one spiritual birth. Divine love is the tie that binds. A union through human organization does not produce heart unity.

No test of fellowship but the indwelling Spirit of Christ. "If any man have not the spirit of Christ, he is none of his." Whether or not one has the spirit of Christ—humility, gentleness, easily entreated, and full of good fruits—is the only test of fellowship. Two persons may have perfect fellowship or unity of the Spirit by each walking in the light that God gives him, even though one may have much more light than the other. "If we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship one with another." When one sets up his own opinions or greater light as a bar to fellowship, disregarding the Spirit of Christ the other may possess, then he becomes guilty of a sectish, divisional spirit, which is contrary to the Word of God.

Separation from all human organizations that are not authorized in the Word of God. All secret orders, lodges, and every system of a worldly nature should be forsaken by God's people. In those places and in man-made churches, they are necessarily yoked together with unbelievers, and Paul says, "Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers." 2 Cor. 6:14. John the Revelator heard a voice from heaven saying, "Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues." Rev. 18:4. This refers to the apostate churches—Babylon. They are commanded to come out because Babylon is fallen. Babylon may take the name, "Church of God," but that does not make it God's church. He looks at its true condition and names it accordingly. "Come out from among them, and be ye separate" 2 Cor. 6:17.

—L. D. Pruitt.

Edmond, Okla.—Dear Readers of the **Faith and Victory**: I am glad for the privilege I have of serving the Lord and that I can testify to others that Jesus saves from sin. I am young and I want to live for Him the best I can. I was just saved a few weeks ago and it was hard at first.

I go to Sunday School and Church to tell one of my lost friends about Jesus Christ and how He saved me from sin. I have talked to her and prayed for her that she might turn to God.

Psa. 122:1—"I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord."

I desire the prayers of all who pray, that I be all He demands of me in this life.

Your sister in Christ, Goldie Porter.

Treece, Kansas—Greetings to all:

In Jesus' dear name I am sending you a few lines. I can report victory over sin just now, and am so glad for the hope which lies beyond this old troublesome world. Truly, I can say with the Lord's despised few, I know God is love and love covereth a multitude of sin. That is why I know I am free today—Jesus blood was spilt upon that cruel cross for my sins. I glorify His precious name above all names. You know if we didn't have the precious Word of God to rely upon, we would be of all men and women miserable. I sit down and say, Lord, here I am with the Word before me. Lead on what you want me to have, and what I need worse just now for food. I've just eaten a meal at Father's table: the 13th chapter of 1 Cor. It seems I get more good from that last verse. We can have faith, hope, and charity, and do have if we are saved—our sins blotted out. There is a gift of faith, but I find along the way some have more faith. I need faith to trust God for my body as well as my soul. It's in store too. Man can't give it, it all comes from above. The greatest of these three is charity. I really can praise the Lord, for He says, "As many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God." This includes women too. We find again that if we are in His fold that His Spirit beareth witness with ours, which I find to be true.

Thank God for this plan of salvation which is so plain that a wayfaring man though a fool shall not err therein. Souls who mean to get ready and who feel God's Spirit of love stirring today, must heed before they are cast out without another chance or hope in this old world. I find many hardships on the way, but we must count them all joy because Jesus didn't stop on account of them. He told us to strive to enter in. We can endure the hardships because God's grace still extends. Praise our God.

Mrs. Jewel Allen.

Battle Lake, Minn.—Dear Saints of God: I was sent the **Faith and Victory** paper by an unknown

friend, and I enjoyed it so much I wanted to subscribe for it.

I am a patient at a Sanatorium where I am unable to attend the house of God. I enjoy reading sermons from papers like **Faith and Victory**.

Before I entered the hospital, I didn't have much time for church and the Word of God. Some Christian friends visited me and through them I began to realize my need of Christ. I was saved about six months ago, and have been very happy since. God has given me strength to bear each affliction. My Mother is a Christian, also my Dad, who entered into God's paradise a few days before Christmas. I haven't seen my dear Mother since I left my home in Oregon last summer and couldn't be at my Father's bedside when he passed away.

Please pray for my Mother and me, also for my unsaved brothers and sisters that they, too, may realize their need of Christ as their personal Saviour.

May God bless you all and grant you to continue your good works. Edla Kampsula.

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Dewey, Okla.—Dear Saints: We are still saved and working for God in the truth. We hold services in our home every Thursday night. The Lord is really with us. Our neighbors and friends are becoming interested and many are being healed and enlightened in the Word of God.

I am not well in body, but I feel God in my soul. The Lord is surely good and has healed in our home so many times this year. Bro. Barton visited in our home. We were so glad to have him. It encourages our hearts to have any of the saints come. Those who have a place to worship can realize what it means not to have a place. Our home is always open to help someone to Christ.

Please remember us in prayer. I have two unspoken requests. —Bro. and Sister C. J. Smith

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TENT MEETING

There will be a tent meeting in Owasso, Mich. starting August 19th and ending Aug. 26th or longer if the Lord wills. All are invited to come who wish to. Write to Bro. Elmer Coleman or Bro. Sands at 211 N. Lansing St., Owasso, Mich. for further information as to how to find the place.

—Bro. and Sr. Parsons, Freeland, Mich.

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Perkasie, Pa.—Dear Sister Pruitt: Greetings in the name of Jesus, our loving Lord and Saviour. I'm glad I have started on the road to Heaven. By God's help and grace I mean to go through—yes, all the way with my Lord, live or die.

The enemy of our souls would like for us to fear to make such strong statements, but what does our life amount to if God is not in it? I just want to see Him in everything and hearken to that "still small voice."

I think and pray for you and the work and all the faithful workers there. God bless all of you and keep your hearts encouraged, and supply all your needs bountifully.

Truly, God is good to us. Nothing is so wonderful as this great salvation that cleans us up from the sin business and helps us to walk a straight and upright life, free from condemnation as we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin. Praise the Lord!

Love in Christ,

Julia Cramer

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Yakima, Wash.—Dear Bro. in Christ: Praise His name, He is all the world to us. We need your prayers. I am 71 years of age and husband is 76. He has been a helpless cripple the last three years, but we love the Lord and are now waiting for Him to call us home.

I have been a slum worker for fourteen years in Chicago, four years in Peoria, Ill., and three years in Yakima, Wash., and I love it. The tracts you sent are the best I ever had for slum work, and do thank you so much for them. Perhaps some day I will be able to send you a free-will offering.

Yours in His name,

Mrs. Geo. Flynn.

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Report of Evangelistic Company

After the good meeting at Dayton, Ohio was over, the company went eight miles south of Laurelville, Ohio, and stayed with Bro. Leman Rodgers while we held a five days meeting which was best of the Lord. Saints came in from Columbus and other places on the last Sunday of the meeting. We had three services which were very encouraging to our souls. Some were at the altar of prayer in this meeting and the saints were all encouraged very much. Bro. Rodgers and family are serving the Lord, and it was a pleasure to be in their home. We had to bid them farewell on Monday, May 20th and went to Richmond, Ind. where we visited Bro. and Sister Jenkins, Bro. and Sister Decker, and Bro. Farlow, wife, and family. This was a very encouraging visit to all of us. The fellowship was good and the Lord encouraged our hearts as we talked together of the things concerning the Kingdom of God.

On Tuesday, we came to Bro. Elihu Key's place, who is father of Bro. Ray Key, one of the company. This dear saint is 81 years of age, but is deeply interested in the things of God, although he is in poor health. He has preached this truth for nearly sixty years. He was in many meetings where Bro. D. S. Warner was the principal speaker, and he holds dear yet today, the good truth that this dear man of God uttered, which God through His Spirit revealed to him. It was a pleasure to us to sit and listen to things that took place in his ministry. He is very hard of

hearing and frail in body but the inner man is strong and his hope of glory is clear. He is waiting for God to say, "It is enough, come up higher."

Ever since we printed the booklet, "What A Mighty God We Serve," I have been anxious to visit Sister Amanda Jones, the author of the wonderful little booklet that tells of miracles which God has performed through faith which she has in God. This saint of God has, no doubt, received the gift of healing. Since we were less than forty miles from where she lived, we felt it would please the Lord for us to visit her and talk to her face to face about the good things that our great God has been performing through her. We found her place at Rosewood, Ohio without any trouble.

When we entered the house and made known who we were, she was greatly surprised and could hardly contain the joy that filled her soul. She insisted that we stay all night with her when we told her that we could only stay a few hours with her, but we could not do that because we had an appointment the next day. We visited with her for several hours and the time slipped by so soon. She told us how she had first received a copy of the **Faith and Victory** paper. A ticket had been sent to her so she could go to Illinois to attend her sister's funeral. She had no money; but while on the train, a lady, who was a stranger to her, handed her a **Faith and Victory** paper in which was a dollar bill. When she noticed the bill, she handed it back to the lady, telling her that she had left her money in the paper. The lady replied that the money was for her. This seemed wonderful to her, and the contents of the paper was food to her soul. This is just another way that God has of getting truth to those who earnestly seek Him. We had prayer with her. Our hearts were melted in love for her, for she was so hungry to visit with God's people. She followed us to the car and talked to us, but we had to leave her. She turned to go to the house and started to weep. How hungry some souls are! She was attending meeting, but as one brother expressed it, "The pasture was very short and dry." We are praying that God will speed the time when the real Church of God will shine more clearly and that hungry souls will flee from sectism and abide alone in Him where they can be fed on the "finest of wheat," and be fat and flourishing in the courts of our God.

On Wednesday the 22nd of May, we went to Berne, Ind. expecting to have a few nights meeting in Sister Baumgartner's house. She was a precious saint of God and had been in the true way for years. When we arrived at her house, several cars were there. When we entered, we found that this sister was very sick; in fact, death had already struck her body. The family and friends gathered in, were in tears, expecting her to breathe her last any minute. We all entered into prayer and the Lord gave some

ease to her, but did not see fit to heal her. In an hour or more after we arrived, the Lord took her spirit to Himself, and the clay house lay before us empty. Thus, we are all passing one by one. It was a great comfort to the family to know that mother was ready—she had lived a true Christian life before them.

The pleasure of the children was that I should conduct the funeral. Bro. Foster of Yorkshire, Ohio assisted. The funeral service was held in the Nazarene church building at Berne, Ind. The house was practically full of people and the Lord blessed very much in delivering the message which comforted the friends and relatives, and was a blessing to the whole assembly as vital truth was brought out which should concern all living men and women.

After the funeral, we went to Muncie, Ind. and spent the night and part of the next day with Bro. Losh and his wife. We found them happy in the Lord, and we enjoyed our short stay there with these dear aged saints of God. We also visited in the home of Bro. and Sister Baker and their daughter, Nila.

On Saturday May 25th, we went to Newcastle, Ind. and had meeting there that night and over Sunday where we met a number of precious saints. We stayed in the home of Bro. and Sister Lawson. They made us feel welcome and our association was precious and heavenly. Bro. Lawson is working some at present with his hands. They have had some trials of faith, (and this seemed needful at present. Bro. Lawson feels so burdened to be in evangelistic work. We ask the saints to pray for him that he can soon be in condition to get out in his calling that is so dear to him.

Our company left Newcastle on Monday, May 27th and came to Rolla, Mo. where we were welcomed into the home of Bro. George Colvin and wife. Bro. Colvin is encouraged, and says that he intends to go through the Bible way by the grace of God. Bro. Payne had a hall rented upstairs on Main St. and had it seated with electric lights in, ready to have meeting when we came. The first meeting was quite well attended with good interest. The message went forth on the "Oneness of God's People," and the scriptures were used to show that Jesus and the apostles taught his people to be together. The subject was presented in such a way that all present seemed to be much interested. Many said, "Amen" to the truth as the scriptures were unfolded.

On Wednesday, our party came on to Springfield, Mo. to begin a revival meeting; but Sister Key and Sister Audrey Buttram (who had joined the company before we left Ind.) stayed at Rolla to continue the meeting there for a few nights. With a company of other saints, they came on to Springfield the following Sunday morning. Bro Ray Key received a call and felt led of the Lord to go to Norwood, Mo. to hold meeting there, and left for that

place Sunday afternoon. While here at Springfield, Mo. we are staying with Bro. and Sister Robert Porter who have charge of the work at this place. The meeting is progressing nicely. We had all day meeting Sunday, and some saints came from other places. God graciously blessed in giving the messages of truth. Some were at the altar for spiritual help. The house was well filled at the night service.

The meeting closed on Sunday night the 9th of June after an all day meeting in which we had four services; one of the services being the observing of the Ordinances, the Lords Supper and Feet washing which thirty or more saints took part in and were happy because of obeying his teaching and remembering the great sacrifice that the Lord made in bringing us this wonderful salvation.

Early Monday morning on June the tenth we left Springfield for Guthrie, Okla. and arrived home late in the after-noon with thankful hearts to God for his protection all the way and for the many good meetings that he permitted us to enjoy with the association of his dear children.

Bro. Key stayed at Norwood in the revival meeting and sister Key in company with sister Audrey Buttram and sister Geneva Bailey left Guthrie Wednesday morning for Norwood, Mo. where they will pick up Bro. Key and then go on to Hammond, La. their home. They will begin arrangements at once for the Southern La. Campmeeting to be held there.

Looking back over this evangelistic trip we can see that it has been very profitable in many different ways and we rejoice in Him who has made it so. We find plenty of work awaiting us here at the Office and will be very busy through the coming days and weeks.
—Fred Pruitt.

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The "Select Hymn" song book is not to be reprinted and the supply will soon be exhausted. Order now if you want these books. We will supply them as long as they last.

**Attend the NATIONAL CAMPMEETING
at Monark Springs Park, Neosho, Missouri
July 14 to 28, inclusive**

Watonga, Okla.—Dear saints at Guthrie and to all that read the Faith and Victory: Greetings to you in the Lord. I feel like saying something about the enjoyment and the blessings that I have received since I have been saved; only been in this way a short time.

I attended the camp-meeting at Hennessey the first of this month, and I never enjoyed myself in all my life as I did there. It is the sweetest life in this world to live when you know you are saved.

I am praying that I will meet the dear saints at Guthrie Aug. 2nd. I am praying that there may be much good done for the Lord. Your Brother in Christ Jesus,
—R. E. Smith.

Tryon, Nebr.—Dear children of God, greetings: God stirs up my heart to write my testimony and praise Him for what He has done for me. I am praising Him that His love reached past the enemy and all his plans and took me out of sin and gave me a born-again experience. I left the world and the world left me. Praise His holy name! He gave me a new family—the blind, dumb and lame. Luke 14.

I love God above everything the world holds. He is all we need in this time world and it is soon going to be moving day. All glory to His name!

I praise Him for the Faith and Victory paper. It feeds and blesses my soul. May God bless all the saints scattered abroad and keep them fighting on against sin is my prayer.
—Iva Shriver.

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**JOB TEMPTED TO DOUBT GOD'S GOODNESS
Sunday, July 7, 1940.**

**Daily Readings and Meditations
July 1 to 6.**

- M. Job's Piety Job 1:1-5.
- T. In Favor with God Job 1:6-12.
- W. Tested by Adversity Job 1:13-22.
- T. Job's Integrity Job 2:1-13.
- F. The Fiery Tiral 1 Pet. 4:12-19.
- S. Strong in the Lord Eph. 6:10-16.

Printed PortionJob 2:1-13.

Job 2:1. Again there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan came also among them to present himself before the Lord.

2. And the Lord said unto Satan, From whence

comest thou? And Satan answered the Lord, and said, From going to and fro in the earth, and from walking up and down in it.

3. And the Lord said unto Satan, Hast thou considered my servant Job, that there is none like him in the earth, a perfect and an upright man, one that feareth God, and escheweth evil? and still he holdeth fast his integrity, although thou movedst me against him, to destroy him without cause.

4. And Satan answered the Lord, and said, Skin for skin, yea, all that a man hath will he give for his life.

5. But put forth thine hand now, and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse thee to thy face.

6. And the Lord said unto Satan, Behold, he is in thine hand; but save his life.

7. So went Satan forth from the presence of the Lord, and smote Job with sore boils from the sole of his foot unto his crown.

8. And he took him a potsherd to scrape himself withal; and he sat down among the ashes.

9. Then said his wife unto him, Dost thou still retain thine integrity? curse God, and die.

10. But he said unto her, Thou speakest as one of the foolish women speaketh. What? shall we receive good at the hand of God, and shall we not receive evil? In all this did not Job sin with his lips.

11. Now when Job's three friends heard of all this evil that was come upon him, they came every one from his own place; Eliphaz the Temanite, and Bilad the Shuhite, and Zophar the Naamathite: for they had made an appointment together to come to mourn with him and to comfort him.

12. And when they lifted up their eyes afar off, and knew him not, they lifted up their voice, and went; and they rent every one his mantle, and sprinkled dust upon their heads toward heaven.

13. So they sat down with him upon the ground seven days and seven nights, and none spake a word unto him: for they saw that his grief was very great.

Golden Text: "In all this Job sinned not, nor charged God foolishly." Job 1:22.

COMMENTS AND APPLICATION

In the first verse of the lesson it is said that Satan presented himself before the Lord with the sons of God. Satan is a Spirit even as God is a Spirit and Satan says that he went to and fro in the earth and walked up and down in it. In John 16:11 we find that Satan is referred to as being the "Prince of this world," and no doubt this is because he exercises so much influence and authority over men. In Eph. 2:2 he is called the "prince of the power of the air; the spirit that worketh in the children of disobedience." God calls his attention to his servant Job whom the Lord had permitted Satan to tempt in allowing him to destroy his children and all his

possessions and yet Job loved and honored God. Satan wanted another chance and this time to afflict his body and God allowed him to do it and he smote Job with sore boils all over his body but he could not take his life as God forbid him to do that. This is a good lesson for us when afflicted or reverse circumstances come—not to murmur or complain or fail God but to be true through it all, for Satan can go no farther with us today than God permits and when we are tried we will come forth as gold.

His wife's suggestion to turn from God was rejected, and he said, "Thou speakest as one of the foolish women" —as an infidel or one that did not believe in a future state. Job knew that he had been receiving good things from the Lord for many years and if God saw fit to let him have some evil things, he would accept that also.

Seven days' mourning was a custom of ancient days for the dead and Job's friends saw him in such a plight and suffering so much that they mourned for him seven days. In all this suffering Job did not sin or charge God foolishly.

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JOB'S STRUGGLE TO FAITH IN LIFE AFTER DEATH

Sunday, July 14, 1940

Daily Readings and Meditations

July 8 to 13

M. Hope and Despair Job 14:7-17.

T. "My Hope" Job 17:11-16.

W. "My Redeemer" Job 19:23-29.

T. A God-given Body 1 Cor. 15:35-44.

F. Out of Death into Life John 5:19-25.

S. Laying Hold of Life Eternal 1 Tim. 6:11-16.

Printed PortionJob 14:13-17; 17:13-16;
19:23-29.

Job 14:13. O that thou wouldest hide me in the grave, that thou wouldest keep me secret, until thy wrath be past, that thou wouldest appoint me a set time, and remember me!

14. If a man die, shall he live again? all the days of my appointed time will I wait, till my change come.

15. Thou shalt call, and I will answer thee: thou wilt have a desire to the work of thine hands.

16. For now thou numberest my steps: dost thou not watch over my sin?

17. My transgression is sealed up in a bag, and thou sewest up mine iniquity.

17:13. If I wait, the grave is mine house: I have made my bed in the darkness.

14. I have said to corruption, Thou art my father: to the worm, Thou art my mother, and my sister.

15. And where is now my hope? as for my hope, who shall see it?

16. They shall go down to the bars of the pit, when our rest together is in the dust.

19:23. Oh that my words were now written! oh that they were printed in a book!

24. That they were graven with an iron pen and lead in the rock for ever!

25. For I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth:

26. And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God:

27. Whom I shall see for myself and mine eyes shall behold, and not another; though my reigns be consumed within me.

28. But ye should say, Why persecute we him, seeing the root of the matter is found in me?

29. Be ye afraid of the sword: for wrath bringeth the punishments of the sword, that ye may know there is a judgment.

Golden Text: "For I know that my redeemer liveth" Job 19:25.

COMMENTS AND APPLICATION

The continuation of Job's sufferings is very great, and as dreadful as death is to others, Job would prefer it and esteem it a privilege to be covered in the grave rather than to continue in such afflictions and misery.

Job asks the question, "If a man die, shall he live again?" This is fully answered in John 5:28, 29 where it plainly tells us that they will be resurrected either to life or damnation according to our own doings while in this body.

In sealing up his transgressions and sewing up his iniquity Job has reference to God having record of all his deeds and he would be judged accordingly in that final Judgment day. All things are naked and open unto Him with whom we have to do and our deeds, good or bad, are on His book.

Job, in speaking of the grave as his house and his bed in darkness, had reference to his body being covered in the earth as he knew that he could not remain long in such affliction and weakness unless God helped him. He spoke of corruption being his father and the worm his sister or mother. He was so near to death that he considered himself ready to embrace them as his kin. He realized that his rest together with them was in the dust.

In the 25th verse Job breaks into a spirit of prophecy and says, "I know that my Redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth," referring no doubt to the redemption of his body by resurrection when Jesus comes to judge the quick and the dead. Though skin worms destroy the body he was expecting to see God. This was no doubt given to Job of God to encourage him in this dark hour. Though Satan through Job's friends had discouraged him and accused him of evil because of his awful afflictions, God was encouraging him so he would know his favor was on him and he had done no iniquity but had hope of a life with God in a future state.

JOB'S REPENTANCE AND RESTORATION

Sunday, July 21, 1940.

Daily Readings and Meditations

July 15 to 20

M. Repentance Job 42:1-6.

T. Forgiveness Job 42:7-9.

W. Restoration Job 42:10-17.

T. Prosperity Joel 2:9-11.

F. Preaching Repentance Luke 24:44-49.

S. The Fruits of Repentance Acts 26:14-20.

Printed Portion Job 42:1-13.

Job 42:1. Then Job answered the Lord, and said,
2. I know that thou canst do every thing, and that no thought can be withholden from thee.

3. Who is he that hideth counsel without knowledge? therefore have I uttered that I understood not; things too wonderful for me, which I knew not.

4. Hear, I beseech thee, and I will speak: I will demand of thee, and declare thou unto me.

5. I have heard of thee by the hearing of the ear: but now mine eye seeth thee.

6. Wherefore I abhor myself, and repent in dust and ashes.

7. And it was so, that after the Lord had spoken these words unto Job, the Lord said to Eliphaz the Temanite, My wrath is kindled against thee, and against thy two friends: for ye have not spoken of me the thing that is right, as my servant Job hath.

8. Therefore take unto you now seven bullocks and seven rams, and go to my servant Job, and offer up for yourselves a burnt offering; and my servant Job shall pray for you: for him will I accept: lest I deal with you after your folly, in that ye have not spoken of me the thing which is right, like my servant Job.

9. So Eliphaz the Temanite and Bildad the Shuhite and Zophar the Naamathite went, and did according as the Lord commanded them: the Lord also accepted Job.

10. And the Lord turned the captivity of Job, when he prayed for his friends: also the Lord gave Job twice as much as he had before.

11. Then came there unto him all his brethren, and all his sisters, and all they that had been of his acquaintance before, and did eat bread with him in his house: and they bemoaned him, and comforted him over all the evil that the Lord had brought upon him: every man also gave him a piece of money, and every one an earring of gold.

12. So the Lord blessed the latter end of Job more than his beginning: for he had fourteen thousand sheep, and six thousand camels, and a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand she asses.

13. He had also seven sons and three daughters.
Golden Text: "And the Lord turned the Captivity of Job, when he prayed for his friends" Job 42:10.

COMMENTS AND APPLICATION

Experience. Many people have knowledge that they have received from others, but the true knowledge is received through personal experience with God. This is the kind of knowledge Job had. The Lord is faithful to fulfill every promise and deal individually with each one. Trust Him and give Him a chance to bless you.

Humility—a sure foundation. Verses 6 and 7. Humbleness of heart will remove every thing from between us and God. When our hearts condemn us not, then have we confidence in God.

Sin. If we regard iniquity in our heart, He will not hear us. Pride, unbelief, covetousness separate souls from God. "Blessed are the pure in heart."

Intercessory prayer—serving others. He who was the greatest of all was the servant of all. Losing ourselves in service for others is the service fully acceptable unto him. The need today is more intercessors for souls that are not saved. Boys and girls, men and women are headed for destruction—eternal destruction "where the worm dieth not and the fire is not quenched."

The end of time is close at hand. Are we doing our best? Can we be satisfied to nestle down with the saints and enjoy God's blessings or may we not reach some little neglected corner somewhere near us and hold forth the words of life to lost men and women!

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WEIGHING CONSEQUENCES

Sunday July 28th 1940

(A Principle of Temperate Living)

Daily Readings and Meditations

July 22 to 27.

- M. Living Prudently Prov. 1:1-10.
- T. The Folly of Ignoring God. Isa. 5:8-17.
- W. Anticipating Harvest Gal. 6:1-9.
- T. Weighing Alternatives Prov. 4:10-19.
- F. The Sum of All Wisdom Eccl. 12:9-14.
- S. Permanent Values in Character 1 Cor. 3:10-17.

Printed Portion **Proverbs 1:7-10; Isaiah 5: 11, 12, 18-23; Galatians 6:7-9.**

Prov. 1:7. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge: but fools despise wisdom and instruction.

8. My son, hear the instruction of thy father, and forsake not the law of thy mother:

9. For they shall be an ornament of grace unto thy head, and chains about thy neck.

10. My son, if sinners entice thee, consent thou not.

Isa. 5:11. Woe unto them that rise up early in the

morning, that they may follow strong drink: that continue until night, till wine inflame them!

12. And the harp, and the viol, the tabret, and pipe, and wine, are in their feasts: but they regard not the work of the Lord, neither consider the operation of his hands.

18. Woe unto them that draw iniquity with cords of vanity, and sin as it were with a cart rope:

19. That say, Let him make speed, and hasten his work, that we may see it: and let the counsel of the Holy One of Israel draw nigh and come, that we may know it!

20. Woe unto them that are wise in their own eyes, and prudent in their own sight!

22. Woe unto them that are mighty to drink wine, and men of strength to mingle strong drink:

23. Which justify the wicked for reward, and take away the righteousness of the righteous from him!

Gal. 6:7. Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.

8. For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting.

9. And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.

Golden Text: "Godliness is profitable unto all things, having promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come." 1 Tim. 4:8.

COMMENTS AND APPLICATION

As the red light is a signal of danger at a street intersection so also this lesson should call each one to halt that they should consider the danger confronting every Christian. No need to say that perilous times are here for all are aware of that. The question is, who shall be able to stand? The exhortation in our lesson is to fear God. Stop and consider! Receive instruction at the hand of God.

To be temperate in all things is our desire. Greed and pride are overflowing the world and is pursuing the saints.

Woe and woe is pronounced upon man because of the multitude of sins in which he has indulged. The woe can be lifted. Will you have it thus? The law of sowing and reaping is as sure as can be. In other words, the law of cause and effect. The cause—sin in the heart; the effect is a soul polluted and defiled and condemned before God. On the other hand, divine love in the heart effects a beautiful life full of good deeds and finally as we stand before Him uncondemned we receive an abundant entrance into the joys prepared for us. Living in the spirit, or allowing our lives to be directed and guided by the Holy Spirit surely will bring a bountiful harvest of good things. Therefore we are not at all weary in well doing, for in due season we shall reap.